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Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 22-0819 Date: February 7, 2022 **Prime Sponsors:** Rep. Herod; McCluskie Bill Status: House Appropriations Sen. Moreno; Jaquez Lewis Fiscal Analyst: Erin Reynolds | 303-866-4146 Erin.Reynolds@state.co.us **Bill Topic:** EXTENDING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH-CARE PROG IMPLEMENTATION Summary of ☐ TABOR Refund ☐ State Revenue **Fiscal Impact:** □ Local Government □ State Transfer ☐ Statutory Public Entity This bill delays the implementation date for a reproductive health program for people ineligible for Medicaid due to citizenship or immigration status by six months. It will shift state expenditures from FY 2021-22 to FY 2022-23. **Appropriation** No appropriation is required. Summary: **Fiscal Note** The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, which was recommended by the Joint Status: Budget Committee as part of its FY 2021-22 supplemental budget package.

Summary of Legislation

The bill extends the date by which the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing must implement a reproductive health program for people ineligible for Medicaid due to citizenship or immigration status, from January 1, 2022, to July 1, 2022.

Background

Senate Bill 21-009 required the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing to administer a reproductive health care program to certain individuals who are not eligible for coverage under Medicaid only because of their citizenship or immigration status, beginning January 1, 2022. The department received \$1,335,388 General Fund in this current FY 2021-22 to make information technology system modifications required by SB 21-009; however, these changes have been delayed due to a backlog of other needed system changes.

State Expenditures

The delay in implementing the reproductive health program is a result of multiple, high-priority information technology updates with similar deadlines and not attributable to this bill, which is aligning the statutory deadlines to the reality of the current implementation schedule. Any unspent appropriations will revert to the General Fund and future changes in appropriations will be addressed through the annual budget process.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State and Local Government Contacts

Health Care Policy and Financing

Joint Budget Committee